



HF 455 – Student Transportation and Bus Code Corrections (LSB 1092HV)
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Fiscal Note Version – New

Description

House File 455 makes changes to school district transportation provisions for students.

Background

This fiscal note addresses Section 4 of this Bill that expands the requirement of school bus inspections to include school-owned nine-passenger or less vehicles that transport students. Additionally, the Bill specifies that inspections can be provided by the Department of Education or qualified private auto mechanics.

Assumptions

- The Department of Education estimates 1,000 to 1,800 additional vehicles will be inspected twice each year.
- The Department's inspection fee will be \$40 beginning in FY 2014. The cost of private mechanic fees is assumed to be similar to the Department's fees.
- School districts will pay for the additional inspections through current resources.

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact to the State General Fund.

Beginning in FY 2014, the estimated statewide total cost to local school districts will range between \$80,000 and \$144,000. District amounts will vary based on the number of additional vehicles that require inspections. The per district average cost is estimated between \$230 to \$414.

Sources

Iowa Department of Education
Iowa Administrative Code, [281 – 43.30](#) (updated rule pending approval)

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The fiscal note for this bill was prepared pursuant to [Joint Rule 17](#) and the Iowa Code. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Fiscal Services Division of the Legislative Services Agency upon request.
